

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

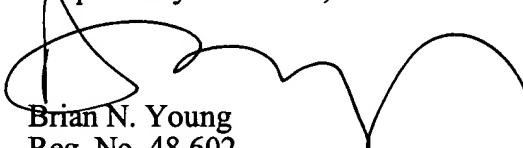
Upon entry of this amendment, which amends claims 5, 7-8, 11-12, 14-17, claims 1-3, 5-8, 10-12, 14-17 will be pending. Applicants have made changes to the dependencies of dependent claims to make sure the dependent claims depend from the correct independent claims. It was unclear from the Examiner's amendment if the dependencies were correct.

CONCLUSION

Entry of this amendment is respectfully urged since it merely cures a formal defect in one of the claims and does not touch the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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